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Strength to overcome

Student uses bodybuilding to cope with mental, physical conditions

Joe Crawford
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Alan Beck looks like a bodybuilder.

The 6-foot, one-inch tall, 230-pound sophomore appears perfectly healthy. Conditions he attained while serving in the Army National Guard in Iraq, however, impair his ability to study and partake in physical activity.

But Beck has found bodybuilding to be a form of therapy for his mental and physical disabilities and he plans to take part in the university's annual bodybuilding contest, the Mr. SIUC competition, in April.

In March 2006, Beck said a military vehicle he was traveling in near

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Sophomore Alan Beck trains at Gold's Gym Monday evening in preparation for the Mr. SIU competition that will take place April 12, 2008. Beck is a veteran with posttraumatic stress disorder and a back injury after serving 11 months in Iraq.
EDYTA BLASZCZYK
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Overseas holiday shipping deadlines today

Kylie Brewer packs a box full of Christmas gifts at Mail Boxes Etc. located in the Murdale shopping center. Traffic is expected to increase next week for Christmas.
JASON JOHNSON
DAILY EGYPTIAN



Post Office braces for packages being delivered overseas

Barton Lorimor
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Deadlines to ship the Christmas spirit overseas are quickly approaching.

Christmas packages being sent to soldiers in Iraq and Afghanistan are due by 5:30 p.m. today at the Carbondale Post Office on 1301 E. Main St., said Carbondale's post office retail associate Bruce Lowe. The post office at 2001 W. Main St. will be accepting packages until closing time at 4:30 p.m.

Today's deadline also includes mail being shipped to Africa and Central and South America. Priority mail going anywhere else in the world should be brought into the post office by Dec. 11.

Lowe said those needing more time would need to upgrade their shipping option, which costs extra. An upgrade from priority mail to Express Mail International would move package deadlines to Dec. 12 and for parcels to be at their destination by Christmas Day.

The Global Express Guaranteed service, the post office's premium international shipping option, would move deadlines to Dec. 19 and offer customers a refund for packages not delivered on time.

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Director of admissions search in full swing

Christian Holt
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Some administrators said they hope the new year will bring a new administrator to the university.

A committee has been formed, the job has been posted and the search is on for the next SIUC director of admissions.

An interim director, James Carl, has filled the empty post since March 2006.

Earlier in the semester, Carl said a director of admissions was important because it was the first part of the university students saw.

Being the face of the university, Carl and his predecessors have seen

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— Carmen Suarez
coordinator for diversity and equity

the enrollment numbers rise and fall over the semesters. In 1991, university enrollment peaked at 24,869, while this semester the number hit short at 20,983.

Carmen Suarez, coordinator for diversity and equity and former interim associate vice chancellor for enrollment management, is on the committee to choose the next director. Suarez said she was looking for someone who has a lot of

experience in the area of admissions.

She also said she was looking for a person who could help attract and keep a “healthy mix of students,” including non-traditional students.

“I’m just looking for someone who can embrace this university and all it has to offer,” Suarez said.

Victoria Valle, the associate vice chancellor for enrollment manage-

ment, posted the job just before Thanksgiving break.

Valle said as of Monday afternoon a couple of people had applied, but it was too early to tell who was going to get the position. Valle said she would leave the job posted until Jan. 2.

Valle said in an interview last month she was taking time to make sure she had the job description just right.

Valle also said she was looking to the people from her past to help her find the perfect person to fill the job.

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Committee for the selection of the new Director of Admissions

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Sorority hosts racial discussion

Panel discusses possibility of colorblind society

Madeleine Leroux

DAILY EGYPTIAN

Simyra Campbell said she identifies herself as Simyra first and black second. Campbell was a panelist and a coordinator for the event.

Race and racial identity were the focal points of the first Race and Reconciliation Day Panel. The free panel discussion, sponsored by Delta Xi Phi Multicultural Sorority, was held Monday night in the Student Center. The discussion was an opportunity to emphasize similarities and get past the differences among people of all races, said Campbell, an SIUC and Delta Xi Phi alumna.

The event began with a presentation by panelist Derek Martin, an assistant professor in the sociology department. Martin identifies himself as being mixed-race, having a white Canadian father and a black Jamaican mother. His presentation focused on questions about race and gave a brief overview of facts and terms dealing with race.

"Racism is nothing more than

the belief that race indicates inferiority," Martin said.

Many people, Martin said, tend to associate behavioral characteristics with race. But, he said, science proves race has nothing to do with behavioral attributes such as athletic ability and intelligence.

"Very few people have a clinical understanding of what race is," Martin said. "There's no scientific basis for the things we attribute to race."

After the presentation, discussion was opened to the panel and audience on several issues dealing with race and racial identity.

Donald Hughes, a senior from Peoria studying sociology and a panelist, said discussion on race is important for the present.

"If we don't discuss where African people come from, I don't think we can understand the full scope of where we are today," Hughes said.

Campbell said there isn't enough positive attention on race in the media.

"I think sometimes we're so worried about political correctness that it stops us from getting to the meat of the issue," Campbell said.

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THOMAS BARKER ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Derek Martin, assistant professor of sociology, gives a presentation Monday night at the Student Center about racism in America today. Panelists Donald Hughes, a senior from Peoria studying sociology, Novotny Lawrence, assistant professor of the radio/television department and Simyra Campbell, alumna of Delta Xi Phi, each discussed their views on a number of issues and responded to questions and comments from the audience.

ety, where race is a thing of the past.

"I don't think we'll ever get to a colorblind society," Martin said.

Novotny Lawrence, an assistant professor in the radio/television department, said he doesn't believe a colorblind world is possible either, and, even if it is, he's

not sure he would want it.

"I think there's a beauty in individualism," Lawrence said.

But whether a colorblind world is possible or not, Campbell said the way to reach a point of reconciliation between all races is through communication and discussion.

"I think what we've done here

tonight, what we've attempted to do, is a beautiful thing," Campbell said.

Delta Xi Phi Multicultural hopes to make this event an annual one.

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Global warming conference to build climate agreement

Joseph Coleman
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BALI, Indonesia — Delegates and scientists from around the world opened the biggest-ever climate change conference Monday, urging rapid progress in building a new international pact by 2009 to combat global warming — or risk economic and environmental disaster.

Some 10,000 conferees, activists and journalists from nearly 190 countries gathered on the resort island of Bali for two weeks of U.N.-led talks that follow a series of scientific reports this year concluding that the world has the technology to slow global warming, but must act immediately.

The Bali meeting will be the first major climate change conference since former Vice President Al Gore — due to arrive next week — and a U.N. scientific council won the Nobel Peace Prize in October for their environmental work, fueling the growing sense of urgency as ice-caps melt, oceans rise and extreme weather increases.

“The eyes of the world are upon you. There is a huge responsibility for Bali to deliver,” said Yvo de Boer, the executive secretary of the conference. “The world now expects a quantum leap forward.”

The immediate aim of the Bali conference will be to launch negotiations toward a pact to replace the Kyoto Protocol on global warming when it expires at the end of 2012, and set an agenda for the talks and a deadline. The U.N. says such an agreement

should be concluded by 2009 in order to have a system in place in time.

A main thrust will be to draw the United States, the world's largest emitter of greenhouse gases blamed for global warming, into the process. Washington did not ratify the Kyoto Protocol, arguing that mandatory cuts in emissions would harm the economy and calling into question the veracity of global warming science.

Speakers at the opening session Monday said the world had more to lose by inaction than by taking some of the costly steps needed to cut emissions.

“One of the stumbling blocks so far has been the fear of economic hardship,” said Indonesian Environment Minister Rachmat Witoelar, the host of the Bali meeting. “Though the cost will be significant ... it's insignificant compared to the damage that uncontrolled climate change will wreak.”

Among the most contentious issues ahead will be whether emission cuts should be mandatory or voluntary, as the U.S. favors. Also to be tackled will be to what extent up-and-coming economies like China and India will have to rein in their skyrocketing emissions, and how to help the world's poorest countries adapt to a worsening climate.

Confronted with the scientific reports of the past year, the Bush administration has signaled a willingness to play a larger role in the negotiations, and U.N. officials agree that they must craft a post-Kyoto framework that Washington will go along with.

Iran nuclear weapons program stopped in 2003

Pamela Hess
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — A new U.S. intelligence report concludes that Iran's nuclear weapons development program has been halted since the fall of 2003 because of international pressure — a stark contrast to the conclusions U.S. spy agencies drew just two years ago.

The finding is part of a National Intelligence Estimate on Iran that also cautions that Tehran continues to enrich uranium and still could develop a bomb between 2010 and 2015 if it decided to do so.

The conclusion that Iran's weapons program was still frozen, through at least mid-2007, represents a sharp turnaround from the previous intelligence assessment in 2005. Then, U.S. intelligence agencies believed Tehran was determined to develop a nuclear weapons capability and was continuing its weapons development program. The new report concludes that Iran's decisions are rational and pragmatic, and that Tehran is more susceptible to diplomatic and financial pressure than previously thought.

“Tehran's decision to halt its nuclear weapons program suggests it is less determined to develop nuclear weapons than we have been judging since 2005,” says the unclassified summary of the secret report.

The findings come at a time of escalating tensions between the United States and Iran, which President Bush has labeled part

“**The new NIE throws cold water on the efforts of those urging military confrontation with Iran.**

— Rand Beers
formerly on National Security Council

of an “axis of evil,” along with Iraq and North Korea. At an Oct. 17 news conference, Bush said, “If you're interested in avoiding World War III, it seems like you ought to be interested in preventing them (Iran) from having the knowledge necessary to make a nuclear weapon.”

Rand Beers, who resigned from Bush's National Security Council just before the Iraq war, said the report should derail any appetite for war on the administration's part, and should reinvigorate regional diplomacy. “The new NIE throws cold water on the efforts of those urging military confrontation with Iran,” he said.

Senior intelligence officials said Monday they failed to detect Iran's fall 2003 halt in nuclear weapons development in time to reflect it in the 2005 estimate.

One of the officials said Iran is the most challenging country to spy on — harder even than North Korea, a notoriously closed society. “We put a lot more collection assets against this,” the official said, “but gaps remain.” The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the subject.

WIRE REPORTS

IRAQ

Iraqi troops find mass grave with 12 bodies

BAGHDAD (AP) — Iraqi troops unearthed a mass grave with the remains of 12 people including a paramedic who disappeared more than a year ago, officials said Monday, the latest grisly discovery in a former stronghold of al-Qaida in Iraq.

Morgue workers wearing masks to protect them from the stench of decomposing bodies dug through bags of bones and tattered clothes as they sought clues to the identities of those killed.

More than 100 bodies, including women and children, have turned up since October in the remote desert terrain surrounding Lake Tharthar, a man-made body of water straddling the predominantly Sunni provinces of Anbar and Salahuddin about 60 miles northwest of Baghdad.

Most of the victims have no IDs, but officials have said they were likely abducted and murdered by al-Qaida in Iraq and other insurgents.

SUDAN

British teacher leaves Sudan after being pardoned in case

KHARTOUM, Sudan (AP) — A British teacher jailed for letting her students name a teddy bear Muhammad as part of writing project headed home Monday after being pardoned — ending a case that set off an international outcry and angered many moderate Muslims.

The incident was the latest in a tense relationship between the West and Sudanese President Omar al-Bashir, an Islamic hard-liner who has been accused by the United Nations of dragging his feet on the deployment of peacekeepers to the country's war-torn Darfur region.

Gillian Gibbons, jailed for more than a week, was freed after two Muslim members of Britain's House of Lords met with al-Bashir and the teacher sent the president a statement saying she didn't mean to offend anyone with her class project.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Man accused of taking hostages at N.H. Clinton office wanted help for drinking

ROCHESTER, N.H. (AP) — The man accused of taking hostages at a Hillary Rodham Clinton campaign office had been drinking heavily before the stand-off and talked about his problems getting medical care, according to family interviews and a court document released Monday.

Leeland Eisenberg, 46, is accused of walking into the Clinton office on Friday with what appeared to be explosives strapped to his body and holding campaign workers hostage for hours after demanding to speak to Clinton about mental health care, authorities said.

During an arraignment Monday afternoon, prosecutors asked for a judge to set a cash bond of \$500,000. The prosecutor said Eisenberg had a lengthy criminal record, including a rape conviction, and had escaped while serving a 10-year sentence for that crime and committed rape again.

His stepson, Ben Warren, said that Eisenberg drank heavily Thursday night and Friday morning before the hostages were taken, according to the document, which was written by authorities who interviewed Warren. Family members have said Eisenberg wanted to get help, but lacked health insurance and money.

“He said he wanted to do something to get himself put in the hospital,” he said.

TEXAS

Mixed martial arts fighter dies weeks after being injured

HOUSTON (AP) — A mixed martial arts fighter has died in a hospice about six weeks after he was injured in a sanctioned bout, a rare fatality for a combat sport that is growing in popularity.

Sam Vasquez, 35, of Houston, was injured at the Toyota Center on Oct. 20 and died Friday. The Harris County Medical Examiner's Office confirmed Vasquez's death, but spokeswoman Stacey Mitchell said it could be several days before the official cause is determined.

Vasquez was hospitalized after he was knocked out by Vince Libardi of San Antonio in the third round of a fight at the Renegades Extreme Fighting show. He lost consciousness and suffered a seizure.

Chavez bid to boost power falls short

Oscar Avila
McCLATCHY TRIBUNE

CARACAS, Venezuela — For the first time, voters put the brakes on President Hugo Chavez's “socialist revolution” by defeating a referendum to expand presidential powers and eliminate term limits, election officials announced Monday.

Two packages of proposals to overhaul the constitution each went down to defeat by margins of 51 percent to 49 percent, according to the National Electoral Council.

The results were a stunning defeat for Chavez, who had never been on the losing side of an election since winning office in 1998. In the process, he had amassed control of nearly all the political institutions in this major oil-producing nation.

Chavez congratulated a previously fractured opposition that was able to pull together university students, business leaders and even former Chavez loyalists. Opponents had warned that the laundry list of 69 constitutional provisions would create a de facto dictatorship.

“I think the Venezuelan democracy is maturing. Each of these processes that we live, each election, allows our democracy to mature,” a subdued Chavez said in a national television address from the Miraflores Palace.

The referendum would have let Chavez seek re-election an unlimited number of times, suspend civil liberties in emergencies and appoint regional officials who would have stripped power from elected governors and mayors.



PEDRO PORTAL ~ McCLATCHY TRIBUNE

A group of Venezuelans supporting the No Campaign referendum react after it was announced that the referendum changing the constitution was possibly defeated in Caracas, Venezuela, on Sunday.

The measures had caused bitter, and often violent, conflicts among an emboldened opposition and Chavez's loyal supporters who saw the changes as a way to keep moving power from the elite to grass-roots movements.

Opponents, gathered at a meeting hall in a tidy Caracas neighborhood, had insisted that their own exit polls showed positive signs even after Chavez backers took to the streets, thinking their man had won.

“We believe in the vote. We

believe in elections. We believe in the construction of a new majority,” said Leopoldo Lopez, mayor of the Chacao municipality.

Human Rights Watch and other groups had criticized the measures that would have let the president suspend due process and other civil liberties during states of emergency. The referendum also would have ended the autonomy of the Central Bank.

The National Electoral Council reported a generally peaceful day of voting.

Are you ready to rock?

Alicia Wade
DAILY EGYPTIAN

'Rock Band'
Publisher: Electronic Arts/MTV
Developer: Harmonix
Platforms: Xbox 360, Playstation 3, Playstation 2
ESRB rating: Teen
Release date: Nov. 20, 2007

Ever felt like maybe the h-um life wasn't all it's cracked up to be and you should have been a rock star by now?

Well, Electronic Arts, MTV and Harmonix teamed up to bring gamers the chance to live out their rock star dreams in a \$170 box with their release of "Rock Band."

With play similar to "Guitar Hero," participants can shred on a guitar, wail on the mic or even test their chops with probably the coolest and most fun addition to rhythm gaming — a drum set.

For the quick-fingered who choose the guitar as their weapon of choice, the same rules from "Guitar Hero" apply — strum the note while pushing down the fret of the corresponding color as it appears on screen to score big on both lead and bass guitar riffs. With the "Rock Band" guitar, however, there's no need to push as



hard or frantically as required with past "Guitar Hero" games. The strum is mushy and requires the lightest and most exacting touch to catch the notes as they go by.

The same can be said for the drums, which players are required to tap the drum head that corresponds to the colors displayed on screen or push the kick pedal to create a back beat for the song. The best advice to playing the new addition, and probably hardest to play because it is so new, is to treat it like a real instrument, relax and handle with care.

The mic operates in a similar fashion to the "Sing Star" game where those brave enough to belt out a tune have to meet pitch requirements in order to pad their score. Knowing the lyrics are not a necessity, as just making a sound on-pitch is good enough to pass a song.

Cooperative career modes where players perform as a band, playing sets that include an amazing selection from more than 40 songs by rock legends such as the Rolling Stones, Metallica and Deep Purple, make this the best party game on the market.

The group can create its own rockers, band logos and song sets to live the rock star life, starting off with small venues and traveling by bus to cities, then earning a jet and conquering the world. Along the way the band will play sets earning fans, press representatives, sound guys, bodyguards and roadies, opening up even more performance arenas around the world.

"Rock Band" also has set-



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tings for solo players, but the fun of the game is working together, making a fool of yourself in front of your friends, and finally making a band capable of touring the world.

The game encourages players to work together with settings such as overdrive, which are gained by playing certain parts of a song perfectly. When engaged, overdrive can cause a multiplier to be put on scores or save a bandmate who has failed a song.

Not only is the music selection stellar and the gameplay great, but the graphics for "Rock Band" far surpass those used in any other rhythm game.

During a song the performance in the background of players' created rockers looks like a music video, changing colors during dramatic parts of the song as well as having characters play and sing in sync with the music. The crowd is also a feat of design as it hops and sings along when bands are performing especially well.

But not every game is perfect, and "Rock Band" is no exception. The song list is vaguely limited when compared to the likes of "Guitar

Hero," so groups are stuck playing the same songs over and over eventually. However, this has been aided by add-on releases through Xbox Live and the Playstation store with new songs and packages.

Also, with only one guitar coming in the \$170 set, Playstation 3 users will have to wait for a "Rock Band" compatible guitar to be released if they want a 4-player game, because "Guitar Hero III" guitars will not work with "Rock Band."

Overall, though, "Rock Band" is one of the best gaming investments out there. So wrangle three of your friends to go in on the cost with you and get ready to live out your rock star dreams.

Just remember to apologize to your neighbors for the noise when your band gets a little too rambunctious.

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WEIGHTS

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Fallujah rolled over, pinning him underneath and leaving him with a back injury that keeps him in constant pain. He said the injury makes it difficult for him to lift heavy objects, carry objects long distances or play most sports.

"Bodybuilding is something I like because you don't have to pick up humongous weights," said Beck, a sophomore from Steeleville studying kinesiology. "You just do it properly and you can get just as much out of it."

After serving in Iraq, Beck was also diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder, a condition that makes it difficult for him to concentrate and causes him to have flashbacks and nightmares. Weightlifting helps him relieve some of the stress associated with the disorder, but the condition causes him problems in and out of school, he said.

"It's by far my worst disability," he said.

Having his disabilities be almost invisible can be good at times, he said, but it can also lead to some awkward situations.

Because he has trouble carrying a backpack long distances, he has a parking tag that allows him to park in spaces for persons with disabilities, but he said he is often questioned about why he is using the space.

"One of the campus parking people kind of got onto me about "Is that really your hangtag? Is that your grandma's hangtag?" he said.

Beck said lifting weights is better for his

back injury than doing no physical activity, and he works out six times per week. He said he has also altered his diet and he consumes between 5,000 and 6,000 calories each day.

Beck said the university and Disability Support Services in particular have been very helpful in aiding him with his disabilities. He said he takes tests with DSS because he has difficulty concentrating in a large classroom, and the office also helped him get his parking tag.

Kathleen Plesko, director of DSS, said her office aids about 50 students with mental disabilities, some of whom are veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder. She said these students do not typically consider themselves disabled, but they could benefit from the services DSS offers.

"The effects of it are very real and can be very much an impediment to academic success," she said.

The number of veterans with disabilities has increased significantly in recent years, she said. The National Center for Post-traumatic Stress Disorder's Web site says post-traumatic stress disorder affects between 12 and 20 percent of the military personnel who have returned from Iraq.

"When I started watching the news a couple years ago I knew we had to get ready for facing a new influx of young people with probably some pretty massive disabilities," Plesko said.

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POSTAGE

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Holiday, international shipping deadlines	
For soldiers in Iraq, Afghanistan	5:30 p.m. today
For Africa, Central and South America	5:30 p.m. today
For the rest of the world	Dec. 11, 5:30 p.m.
W/ Express Shipping International	Dec. 12, 5:30 p.m.
W/Global Express Guaranteed	Dec. 19, 5:30 p.m.
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Michelle Arras ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Deadlines for carriers such as UPS, DHL and FedEx expired Monday evening, said Kylie Brewer, manager of Mail Boxes Etc. in Carbondale.

Brewer said all packages for troops must go through the Army Post Office, which is associated with the USPS. Such a relay is the reason her store, which uses non-USPS carriers, has earlier deadlines.

"We're not the post office, so we don't have as many options," she said.

Part of the 20 billion pieces of mail the postal service expects to deliver over the holiday season will be from organizations such as Soldiers' Angels, which sends care packages and letters to troops that have been deployed. Nearly 30,000 more troops were deployed to Iraq alone during 2007.

Lowe said shipping prices to any international location vary depending on the package's destination and weight.

The post office has recommended that Christmas-related, domestic priority mail be sent by Dec. 20.

Dear Hollywood: What's eating Hollywood?

ALICIA WADE

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It seems as though Hollywood is all about the extremes.

From super-short skirts to ultra-tanned bombshells and uber-thin actresses, Hollywood can't seem to get enough radical behavior and appearances.

It's easy to get lost in the appearance and feel like maybe that's what it takes to be the best you — fakery and drastic measures to look just like the A-listers.

But one publication is flipping these extremes and encouraging youth to be comfortable in their own skins, and thankfully, Hollywood is participating.

Seventeen magazine, which according to the New York Times circulates to more than 2 million readers, has created the Seventeen Body Peace Treaty to combat the ill-effects of entertainment extremes. The petition — signed by actresses and singers including "Hairspray" star Brittany Snow, pop singers Pink and Fergie, as well as infamous "Heroes" cheerleader Hayden Panettiere — contains positive writing on body images and allows visitors to Seventeen's Web site to sign it.

Some of the pledges in the petition include, "Respect my body by feeding it well, working up a sweat when it needs it, and knowing when to give it a break," and "Remind myself that what you see isn't always what you get on TV and in ads — it takes a lot of airbrushing, dieting, money and work to look like that."

This is a wonderful movement for those in Hollywood to participate. While eating disorders and body images are not solely products of entertainment media, the notion we are bombarded by perceptions and representations of perfection and beauty from infancy is true.

With that idea in mind, entertainment media has at least some bearing on how we perceive ourselves and whether we find ourselves to measure up to these images.

According to the National Institute of Mental Health's Web site, one in five women struggle with eating disorders or bad eating habits, while an estimated 10 to 15 percent of all those with eating disorders are men.

These disturbing numbers are representative of a mental and physical health crisis that can be lessened by encouraging healthy body images and behavior. Hopefully, Hollywood's leading men will jump in on the campaign as well to encourage this positive perception of bodies.

While it is questionable that a petition such as Seventeen's signed by a handful of celebrities can actually cause a movement, the fact more than 12,000 individuals who are not famous have signed it says a lot.


Even if it only encourages one person to think a little more positively about him or herself, it's probably worth it.

So here's to you, Hollywood. Thanks for being a part of something that has the potential to help those dealing with body image issues and letting people know they're perfect just the way they are.

And you definitely are.

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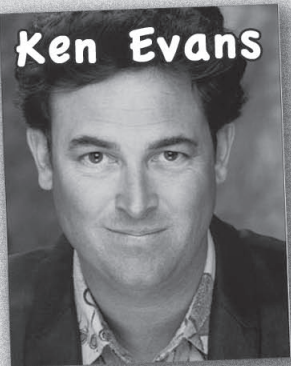
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Appalachian State defeated Eastern Washington 38-35 Saturday by holding off a late run, and barely escaped James Madison 28-27 in the first round on the back of a fumble recovery in the closing seconds with the opponent within a chip shot of the end zone.

Richmond enters the game, which is set to be broadcast nationally on ESPN2 Friday at 7 p.m.,

“We got to keep getting better. That’s what we talked about all year. Take one step at a time.”

— Jerry Kill
SIU football coach

after back-to-back playoff wins by large margins. The team came out 31-14 against Eastern Kentucky and 21-10 against Wofford, who defeated Appalachian State during the regular season.

Though Kill’s team is in the best position to win as the only remaining top seed, he said the team still has an uphill mentality.

“We got to keep getting better. That’s what we talked about all year. Take one step at a time,” Kill said.

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Taylor funeral attended by 3,000

Steven Wine
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MIAMI —The little girl entered the big gymnasium in a stroller, asleep and oblivious to the 3,000 people on hand to pay last respects to her father, Sean Taylor.

Later, 18-month-old Jackie Taylor was wide awake and running wind sprints past the huge flower arrangements in front of the stage. Wearing a red dress, she stood and applauded with the rest of the audience following the introduction of her father’s team, the Washington Redskins. She waved a milk bottle, sucked on a pacifier and went up and down the front row hugging grieving relatives.

There were plenty of tears at Taylor’s three-hour funeral Monday, but also ripples of laughter and words of inspiration.

“Let me hear you scream!” shouted the Rev. Jesse Jackson, urging the audience to cheer Taylor’s memory. “One more time! This is a celebration!”

The 24-year-old Taylor died last Tuesday, barely 24 hours after he was shot in the bedroom of his home a few miles from where he grew up. Police say he was a victim of a botched burglary, and four young men have been charged with unpremeditated murder.

Three of the suspects were transported from Lee County jail to

Miami-Dade County jail Monday evening, said Janelle Hall, a spokeswoman for Miami-Dade County jail. Charles Wardlow, 18, Jason Mitchell, 19, and Venjah Hunte, 20, were expected to appear in court Tuesday morning, Hall said.

The fourth suspect, Eric Rivera, 17, would be processed at a juvenile detention center in Miami-Dade County, Hall said.

A lawyer for one suspect said a fifth suspect was being sought.

“It’s times like this that all of us struggle to find meaning in life,” NFL commissioner Roger Goodell told mourners.

“Today my heart is broken,” said LaVar Arrington, wiping away tears as he recalled his two years as Taylor’s teammate with the Redskins. “I’ll get through it. We’ll all get through it.”

The funeral sought closure through prayers, tributes and gospel music. One singer expended so much emotion she collapsed into a chair upon leaving the stage and was carried away in it as the service continued.

Eulogies by family, friends and dignitaries praised Taylor’s baby face, shy smile, kindness, warmth, faith and extraordinary athletic skills.

“Many times God must have looked down and said, ‘Man, I made a great football player,’” Redskins coach Joe Gibbs said.

Michael Outar recalled the start of his nephew’s football career as

a 6-year-old with the Homestead Hurricanes. Young Sean was assigned No. 66 and a place on the defensive line.

“He asked me, ‘Uncle Michael, what do I do?’ I told him, ‘Hit the guy with the ball.’ That’s what he did, over and over,” Outar said.

Taylor grew into a hard-hitting safety. He helped the Miami Hurricanes win the 2001 national championship, became a first-round NFL draft pick in 2004 and led the NFC in interceptions this season when a knee injury sidelined him last month.

The list of celebrities in attendance was long. They included more than two dozen former Hurricanes now in the NFL, among them Edgerrin James, Devin Hester and Jeremy Shockey. Former Hurricanes coaches Larry Coker and Butch Davis sat in the front row, along with current coach Randy Shannon.

Mourners also included actor Andy Garcia, whose niece, Jackie Garcia, was Taylor’s girlfriend and the mother of their child; and O.J. Simpson, whose children attended the same high school as Taylor.

Simpson expressed sympathy for the relatives of those arrested, as well as for Taylor.

“It’s horrible, not only for him, but for those other four families,” Simpson said. “There are four other lives that are gone.”

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- 5 English bloke
- 9 Select few
- 14 NASCAR word
- 15 Hole up
- 16 Fills completely
- 17 Encroaches upon
- 20 Gluttons
- 21 _-de-dah
- 22 Loving squeeze
- 26 Gives the sack
- 30 Self-defense art
- 31 Small swallows
- 32 Actor Kilmer
- 33 Crumble away
- 34 Old Testament prophet
- 35 Lima location
- 36 Coerces
- 39 Japanese soup
- 40 Acts on a preference
- 41 Fine-feathered duck
- 43 Hydrogen's number
- 44 Creamy white cheese
- 45 Term of office
- 46 Musical note
- 48 Female greeter
- 49 Sympathetic attention
- 50 Tiniest bit
- 51 Gives a mild

DOWN

- 1 Pump fuel
- 2 Not in the running
- 3 Swallowed
- 4 Go one better
- 5 Prime quality
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7		4	1		9	3		
	4	3				2	5	
8	5			3				6

Level: 1 2 3 4

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk.

Solution to Monday's puzzle

4	5	7	2	6	1	9	8	3
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8	2	6	3	7	9	4	5	1
6	7	9	1	4	8	3	2	5
2	8	5	9	3	7	1	4	6
1	4	3	6	5	2	8	9	7
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To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is a 9 — Hurry and make your move, while the odds are in your favor. Make big plans for the future and also do something really fun now. Celebrate coming up with an awesome goal.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 5 — Continue with what you've been doing, without attracting a lot of attention. Don't worry about a problem you encounter, find a way around it. Ask somebody who's been there.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is an 8 — It doesn't happen often, but today it could. Somebody else puts your exact feelings into words, almost better than you could. Let yourself be convinced.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 5 — You can fix up your home quite nicely, and stay within your budget. That's the good news. The bad news is that a lot of your own work is required.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is an 8 — Share your wealth of knowledge with a very attractive person. You'll have a fascinating conversation and make a good impression. You'll even learn something new.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 6 — You give a lot of attention to doing things up right. You do a good job of it, too. You capture the essence of the latest styles and fashions. You make it look so easy. Today, it'll also be fun.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 9 — Your investigation progresses to the next level. Learning about something is fun, but not as much fun as doing. Take the risk and participate.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is a 7 — You're good at keeping secrets, and you have a lot of them. This is one of the reasons why you're so successful. Move quickly to make the best deal.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is an 8 — Others come to you for advice, and you're good at dishing it out. You're fair and objective naturally. You keep the big picture in mind. Do that again.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 5 — Silly requests fill your list of things to do, much to your annoyance. Organize them so it won't take much time. You're good at this sort of thing and the others will be so impressed.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 9 — You're meeting interesting people, discussing important things. Can you really make the world a better place, together? Sure you can. Have fun at it.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is a 6 — If you ask for what you have coming, the odds are good you'll get it. Ditto for fringe benefits, payable in the future. Show how you've helped the company make a profit and the odds are even better.

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Set London strictly high in rebuilding process, says 1

Booked hotels leave families frantic over graduation weekend

People are eating and logging for money, and we just don't have coffee to go home

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It's that time of year again. Who was screwed the worst by the BCS computers this season?

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"Oklahoma won all three of its matchups against ranked opponents, including toppling No. 1 Mizzou on Saturday. The Sooners just had a couple of let-downs, especially playing without their quarterback in losing to Texas Tech. Why don't they just go to a four-team playoff already?"

SCOTT MIESZALA
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"I think the key word to remember here is computers. I think it's a bad system to begin with and half of the matchups don't make any sense so that's why I refuse to follow it."

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GUEST COMMENTATOR: **AARON LOCKWOOD**

"By far Missouri did ... Their only loss was to Oklahoma, who was the Big 12 Champion. And KU, a team they beat head-to-head the week before, got to go to the FedEx Orange Bowl. I don't see how you can let that happen when Missouri lost to the same team twice, Oklahoma, who was the Big 12 Champion, and they beat KU head-to-head."

— SIU football junior guard Aaron Lockwood

FACT OF THE DAY

Saluki Football

The SIU football team and McAndrew Stadium will be featured on a national stage for the first time since 1983 during Saturday's semifinal matchup against Delaware. The game will be broadcast nationally on ESPN starting at 3 p.m. The last time SIU hosted a semifinal playoff game was Dec. 10, 1983. The game was broadcast regionally on CBS.

Do you have questions for the Saluki Insider that you want answered?
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quarterback Nick Hill on the third play of the game, and turned upfield as a Massachusetts' cornerback cut under and missed him. Gettis then raced down the sideline and outran the pursuing Minutemen for the 69-yard touchdown reception.

"That was just a throw and a catch, and then he made the rest happen. Made the guy miss and actually outran somebody down the sideline," Hill said. "So that's all Byron, that's nothing I did."

Gettis' other reception went for 35 yards, as he caught a pass over his shoulder and was brought down eight yards from the end zone. Two

plays later, Hill completed a touchdown pass to Burgess.

Warner only registered two carries against Massachusetts, gaining all of his 64 yards on a touchdown run in the third quarter. Warner and Gettis combined for 168 yards on just four touches in the game.

Minutemen coach Don Brown said Warner's run was a backbreaker for Massachusetts at a point they couldn't afford to allow SIU to score again. Warner's scamper gave the Salukis their biggest lead of the game at 34-13, and was the only SIU score in the second half.

On his first touch of the game, Warner started out going left on the sweep, but then cut back to the right and raced up the middle of the field, escorted into the end zone by

a high-stepping Hill.

Hill said he is always trying to get downfield on his fakes in case the running back cuts back and needs Hill to block.

"He sprung it out there and he did all the work. I was just kind of trying to get into the camera's view," Hill said with a laugh. "It was fun. I mean he's a fun guy to play with."

Hill said Warner runs with the same energy in practice as he does in games, and Kill said Warner has "never had a bad day in his life."

"He's always smiling," Kill said. "He enjoys life, and I think he's taught me a few things."

Scott Mieszala can be reached at 536-3311 ext. 256 or

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Okon said.

While it might not be as organized or notorious as some student cheering sections around the country like Illinois' Orange Krush or Duke's Cameron Crazies, both students and the athletic department are looking for new ways to give the Dawg Pound a unique identity.

Justin Johnson, a junior from Mohomet studying business management, said the section isn't as unified as the Orange Krush but if presented with the opportunity, it could be good for the university.

Associate Athletic Director of Marketing Mark Gazdik said the department plans to make the Dawg Pound a formal student group and is seeking leaders to create a logo and organize trips to away games.

“We’re all out here waiting to get in the game so early and we get in there and get to harass the other team.”

— John Reisterer
junior from Columbia studying mining engineering

Associate director of marketing Amy Spomer, who directly oversees membership to the Dawg Pound, said students are noticing the rise of excellence in Saluki athletics and want to be a part of that atmosphere.

Students join the group by paying \$10 and are given a T-shirt and a two-day advance on tickets.

John Reisterer, a junior from Columbia studying mining engineering, waited outside the Arena with his chest painted “Go Get Tested” and said he joined the Dawg Pound because he enjoys the environment that now surrounds Saluki basketball games.

“We’re all out here waiting to get

in the game so early and we get in there and get to harass the other team,” Reisterer said.

Gazdik said there is an 1,800 ticket limit for tickets reserved for students, but there won't be a limit on the number of Dawg Pound members any time soon.

Gazdik and Spomer, who are both in their first year at SIU, are working together to develop more promotional events within Saluki athletics to attract more students to other home games such as football, volleyball and softball.

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FOOTBALL

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Scott Mieszala
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The SIU football team gave Delaware, its next opponent in the playoffs, a few more players to study film of after Saturday's victory.

Of the Salukis' five touchdowns in their 34-27 quarterfinal win against Massachusetts, four were from players making the most of limited chances with the ball.

Senior running back John Randle caught one touchdown against the Minutemen, but the rest of the Salukis' end zone visits were reserved for some lesser-used players.

Scoring touchdowns for SIU (12-1) were sophomore tight end Byron Gettis, freshman running back Richard White, sophomore fullback Rick Burgess and junior running back Larry Warner.

This season, those four players have accounted for 171 combined receptions and rushing attempts — Randle has carried the ball 175 times this season, and has 12 total touchdowns. Warner, Gettis, White and Burgess have combined for 15 total touchdowns.

SIU coach Jerry Kill said Randle was all smiles after the game, pointing out the production of the other backs.

Kill said those comments exemplified the unselfish attitude the Saluki players have had all season — a large reason why SIU is playing in the NCAA Division I Football Championship semifinals on Saturday.

"I don't have to have people in my office griping about how many carries they got and how many plays they got and all those kind of things," Kill said. "We're a team by committee, and we got guys that just step up and play."

Gettis entered Saturday's game with six receptions for 56 yards, making him the least-used player during the season to make an impact on the scoreboard Saturday.

He caught a pass from senior



STEPHEN RICKERL ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Freshman running back Richard White rushes past University of Massachusetts defenders Saturday during the Salukis' 34-27 victory. White carried the ball 15 times for 62 yards against the Minutemen defense.

Top-3 seeds fall in NCAA playoffs

Sean McGahan
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Three weeks after sneaking into one of the top-four spots of NCAA Division I Football Championship Playoffs as the only seeded team with a loss, the SIU football team is the only seeded team still standing.

SIU (12-1) secured its first berth to the semifinals since 1983 with Saturday's 34-27 victory against Massachusetts, and top-

seeded Northern Iowa's loss at the hands of Delaware on the same day ensured the Salukis would be the only team with a number in front of its name to advance to the playoff bracket's final four.

The formerly undefeated Panthers were the only team to hand SIU a loss this season, but the playoff favorites were upset at home, 39-27.

First round losses by No. 2 seed McNeese State and No. 3 seed Montana, which also finished the regular season undefeated, leave

the Salukis as the technical favorite to take the national crown.

"It's worked out certainly good," SIU coach Jerry Kill said.

Delaware has the most losses of any team still in the field at 10-3, but back-to-back victories against teams with better regular season marks have the Blue Hens one win away from the Dec. 14 National Championship game.

Delaware defeated in-state opponent Delaware State (10-2) by a commanding 44-7 Nov. 23.

Alive on the other side of the bracket is a pair of two-loss teams in Richmond and Appalachian

State, reportedly SIU's primary competition for the No. 4 seed heading into the playoff picture.

Though Appalachian State dropped two games in Football Championship Subdivision play, its headline-grabbing upset of then-No. 5 Michigan was expected to garner respect from the committee.

The Mountaineers have won consecutive FCS titles the last two seasons, but have narrowly squeaked by in the first two rounds of the playoffs this season.

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Dawg Pound on the rise

Student group membership has tripled

Megan Kramper
DAILY EGYPTIAN

They came with their bodies painted white and a giant cut-out of Chris Lowery's head with one goal in mind — distraction.

An estimated 500 Dawg Pound members arrived at the SIU Arena Saturday more than three and a half hours before tip off to be sure they get a spot in view of the Hoosiers players they hoped to bother.

Membership in the Dawg Pound,

the large student section situated in bleachers on the Arena floor, has more than tripled its memberships this season with 1,392 registered members compared to 420 members at this time last year, athletic department officials said.

The Dawg Pound chanted "S-I-U, S-I-U!" as the members stood outside in 50-degree temperatures prepared to fight for a perfect spot during the game.

As the doors opened at 6:30 p.m., members trickled in while clapping

white T-shirts and rally towels.

While the group typically filled one set of bleachers last season, the students quickly filled both ends of the floor.

Samantha Okon, a senior from Chicago studying communication disorder sciences, was one of the first fans in line.

Okon said she sees the difference in the Dawg Pound this season from when she joined three years ago.

"I think people realize how much fun you have and all the perks you get from being in the Dawg Pound,"

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DuVALE RILEY ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Scott Pfeiffer, a junior studying plant and soil sciences, reaches out to touch Brown Dawg in the Dawg Pound during Saturdays game against Indiana at the SIU Arena.